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THIS AND THAT

Coming Events.

Junior League Entertainment—Dec. 4.
District Court—Dec. 7.
Valentine Teacher's Association—Dec. 12.
K. of P. Dance—Dec. 16.
Christmas—Dec. 25.
1897—January 1.
County Commissioners—Jan. 5.

Wait for Christmas!

Fur Coats at Stinard's.

Court commences next week.

Did you see the Camel at Stinard's.

Jack Cronen was up from Simeon Tuesday.

W. J. Allen was in from Sparks Tuesday.

Men's Avetics one dollar per pair at Stinard's.

Did you meet Tom and Jerry last Thursday?

Wm. Coryell was up from Johnston yesterday.

One by one those who left Cherry county are returning.

Most people are now thankful Thanksgiving is over.

That last snow storm spoiled skating on Minnehaduz Lake.

Wes. Harden, who has been ill with typhoid fever, is recovering.

Elmer Bristol, of Crookston, spent Sunday with his people here.

W. G. Ballard, of Wood Lake, was in town on business Tuesday.

Junior League entertainment at the M. E. church tomorrow night.

F. E. Gillett, of Ainsworth, was in town Sunday night and Monday.

Mrs. G. A. Shaw is recovering from her recent attack of typhoid fever.

Jack Jensen, of the Spade Ranch, registered at the City Hotel Tuesday.

Severe storms are predicted for December, whereat everyone looks blue.

J. A. Fike made a trip to Lincoln last Friday, returning home Sunday night.

J. M. Hershberger, of Leavenworth, Kansas, registered at The Donohoe Monday.

Martin Christensen is putting the touches on the front of the new stone building.

Chas. Ward returned from Arkansas last week. The rest of the folks are coming through with teams.

E. J. Davenport returned Saturday night from Omaha, where he had been attending the embalming college.

H. E. Seamans, Carpenter Paper Co's man, showed his smiling countenance among our business men yesterday.

J. R. Farris and Roy Daily, who are working for Yank O'Brien, on the reservation, were in town Monday night.

The Knights of Pythias dance which was to have been given Thanksgiving night, has been postponed until Friday December 13.

D. W. Parmalee and wife, of Rosebud, returned from their eastern trip Tuesday night and went over to the agency yesterday.

J. W. Spirk, of Pierce, stopped in town over Sunday while on his way to the Black Hills in the interests of the Pierce Milling Co.

Judge C. H. Bane, formerly of Ainsworth but now of Lincoln, was on the west bound passenger Sunday night enroute to Chadron.

Many of our merchants are receiving holiday goods, and next week we will publish a directory for the benefit of Christmas shoppers.

John Marcey and wife, of Fort Niobrara, were in town Tuesday night and left for the east on yesterday morning's passenger.

Rev. J. M. Bates will hold regular services at the Episcopal church next Sunday morning and evening. Everybody should turn out.

W. D. Sadler started for his home in Arkansas, Friday morning. He expected to stop at Lincoln for a day or two while on the way.

S. F. Gilman and Chas. Strickland drove over to Rosebud on business connected with the Gilman & Heller beef contract, Monday.

H. C. Query and brother drove through from the North River country last week, arriving here Saturday night.

J. W. Burleigh, of Simeon, was in town yesterday, on business. He says cattle fared well in his neighborhood during the storm.

WANTED:—Competent girl or woman for general house work.

Mrs. W. E. WAITE,
Kennedy Nebr.

Sheriff Strong sold lots 2 and 3 in block 4 of McDonald's addition on a tax lien yesterday to Geo. Elliott. These lots were the property of Simon Murphy.

Charley Sherman started for the German settlement yesterday with a subpoena for John Orens, the principal witness for the state in the case of State of Nebraska vs. Case et al, for cattle stealing.

The F. E. & M. V. station at Irwin was burned to the ground Thursday morning. It was not a very extensive affair, but the Rushville Standard remarks that it was an improvement on the Omaha depot.

B. J. Martin, of Ainsworth, has entered the employ of the Western Union Telegraph Company at this place. Bert is a good, steady young man, and will no doubt soon master the mysteries of telegraphy.

The tailor shop of E company quarters at Fort Niobrara caught fire last Friday morning about 9 o'clock, and but for the prompt action of the boys who quenched the flames, a serious conflagration might have resulted.

W. A. Pettycrew has the contract for hauling 400 cords of wood from here to Fort Niobrara for G. N. Adams, the Crawford contractor, and thirteen teams are now engaged in the work. About forty cars will be required to haul the wood here.

Owing to the defective manner in which a stove pipe from the first floor was run through the second floor in the depot at Cody, the building caught fire last Friday morning and nearly burned to the ground. Prompt action alone saved the property.

It the present weather is any indication of what is to come this winter, stockmen in some parts of the country will be seriously affected by a shortage of feed. Some of them have become careless in this matter owing to the many pleasant winters which have gone before.

The witnesses in the Dobson case are scattered all over the country, and it is doubtful if the case comes to trial, unless the old testimony is used. One of the principal witnesses is in Montana, another in Missouri, another in South Dakota, one in Sheridan county and two in this county.

Freeman Mills and Alex Dobson returned from Utah Monday, after an absence of several weeks. They went to buy cattle and brought back 800 head of cows, steers and calves, and report that cattle are getting quite scarce in all districts in which they tried to buy. The cattle were unloaded at Merriman. —Gordon Standard.

Dr. J. C. Dwyer, who has been in St. Louis for the past three months taking a post graduate course at Missouri Medical College, returned to Valentine Tuesday night and will resume the practice of his profession. Dr. Dwyer has a host of friends in Valentine and Cherry county who will welcome his return, and he in turn is glad to be at home.

John Mogle, of Cody, Neb., was in the city on Tuesday in the interests of the location of a temperance billiard hall in Long Pine, if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the city dads. Mr. Mogle is in some way connected with the Bannigans and should be locate, the old Bannigan saloon would be refitted and made to serve as the location. —Republican Journal.

F. M. Whittecar, U. S. brick inspector for the Indian school job, is at Rosebud this week making his final report and settlement. From there he will go to Ainsworth, thence to Lincoln, where he will try to obtain the position of sergeant-at-arms of the senate this winter. Just what Frank's chances of securing the plum are we cannot say, but we presume they are good or he wouldn't be in the place.

THANKSGIVING

And the Way it was Observed—What Some Were Thankful for.

Thanksgiving Day in Valentine will be remembered more on account of the breach than the observance, but that is not to be wondered at when the quality and quantity of the weather given us by old Boreas and the weather bureau is considered. With the wind blowing at the rate of forty miles an hour and the thermometer hovering around zero while ten inches of snow filled the circumbient atmosphere so full it was continually at the bursting point, general observance of the holiday graciously granted by Grover could not be expected, though most of us, his loyal subjects, closed our "usual places of business." Repairing to our houses of worship was out of the question.

It is impossible to give in detail the manner in which the day was celebrated by the majority of Valentine citizens, but if the editor of this paper did such an absurd thing as to keep a diary of his daily doings the page devoted to Thanksgiving day would read about like this:

Nov. 28, '96—4 a. m. Got out of bed to catch train going east. Lots of snow and wind. 4:40 a. m.—Went to depot, train reported hour late. 5:40—Train another hour late. Still snowing and blowing. 6:40—Train 'nother hour late, same weather, ate breakfast. 8:00 a. m.—Train 'n'our later, got mail put papers in office, read letters. 8:50—train said to be coming. 9:00—Concluded to stay at home, more snow, more blow. 9:05—Train came, went home, read book. 12:45—Same old snow and blow, went to The Donohoe, ate dinner as follows, all of it:

Oyster Soup
Baked Turkey Cranberry Sauce
Roast Beef Brown Gravy
Roast Veal Mushroom Sauce
Stewed Lamb Green Peas
Mashed Potatoes French Beans
Corn
Mince Pie Pumpkin Pie
Walnut Pudding Brandy Sauce
Tea Coffee Milk Water
Apples Oranges
Toothpicks

Dear reader, we leave it to your imagination to complete the diary. After eating a dinner like that, what would you have done, always remembering that the snow and blow before mentioned had not ceased?

It's a pleasing task to imagine what other people are thinking about, and sometimes it is surprising how nearly correct our surmises are. For instance, if one could have seen the face of each of the persons mentioned, last Thursday he would have been certain that—

Judge Walcott was thankful that Mother Lake precinct is in Cherry county.

W. R. Towne, J. W. Tucker and D. H. Thurston were thankful they are the only candidates for county judge.

Ed. Clarke was thankful he is out of politics.

W. E. Haley was thankful his administration of the postoffice has been so successful that few people covet his official shoes.

A. E. Thacher, C. H. Cornell, W. T. Kincaid, J. W. Yeast, Frank Brayton, W. S. Jackson, and others "too numerous to mention," were thankful that Leap Year has almost passed into history and they still remain in single blessedness.

Mortgage Record.

During the month of November only two farm mortgages were filed for a total of \$707.50, and two for \$73 were released. One mortgage for \$1,000 on city property was filed, and three for \$1,390 were released. Chatel mortgages were brisk, thirty-nine being filed for \$13,036.05, and forty-four were released, the releases costing the mortgagors \$57,754.84. The biggest business was done on November 30, chatel mortgages valued at \$33,294.32 being taken up on that day. This is a better showing than has been made for some time, the value of releases being more than four times as much as the value of the filings, and shows that our people are not as hard up as they might be.

Judge Westover is busy at Chadron holding court, hence Judge Kinkaid will administer justice here next week.

J. J. Jones Fined \$50.

Yesterday morning's papers contained the following dispatch from Topeka, Kansas: J. J. Jones was yesterday fined \$50 in the federal court here for sending a message by postal card defaming the character of J. Marion Miller, of the law firm of Miller & Cocter, Chicago. Jones and Miller were law partners in Omaha prior to January 1895. They dissolved partnership on account of a quarrel, Miller going to Chicago. Jones being unable to pay the fine, he was placed in jail.

Tax Evader Caught.

Sheriff Strong made a trip to Gordon a couple of weeks ago which netted the county \$296.69 of personal tax which it might have lost. The amount was received from N. Denney, of Chicago, a stockman who operates south of Merriman, the sheriff levying on a train of cattle which were about to be shipped. \$137.72 of this tax was assessed in Mother Lake precinct, and the balance in Buffalo Lake. If a few more of these men were caught up on their personal taxes the county would not be in such a bad shape financially as it now is.

Indian Warehouse News.

Shipping Clerk Carroll, of the Indian depot here has made several improvements in his office recently. Entrance is effected now from the south side of the building, a new hard coal stove graces the office, and a telephone instrument gives direct connection with Rosebud Agency. Owing to recent storms no freighting has been done of late and the warehouse is filled to the rafters with goods awaiting transportation. About twelve carloads of brick are piled on the ground, and to make things still worse 150,000 pounds of flour will be here in a week or two.

Last Week's Storm.

The storm which swept over this section of Nebraska last week was almost unparalleled for this time of the year. The storm commenced Wednesday evening and raged with unabated fury until Friday morning. No fatalities are reported, though much trouble was caused to stockmen.

Pete Decory, on the reservation, lost about 100 head of cattle.

C. A. Johnson lost 13 head of calves and 7 cows out of his herd of 1,400.

100 head of cattle belonging to Gilman and Heller, which were being fed at Yank O'Brien's, drifted before the storm, some going as far as Sparks, but most of them were recovered.

The Spade outfit, in the south country, is said to have lost heavily, but no other serious losses are reported.

The rumor that several Indians froze to death on the reservation is false.

More snow fell in the northeast part of the county than in other localities. In the eastern part of the state the snow turned to rain and sleet, doing much damage to property.

A Quick Deal.

The editor of this paper was a witness to a transaction the other day which for rapidity of execution, considering the amount involved, would have taken the breath away from some of our slow going eastern friends if they had seen it. Two stockmen, F. J. Carroll, of Stanton, and Jas. A. Hale, of Deadwood, were on an east-bound freight. Each man had two cars of cattle on the train. After some little conversation on general topics Carroll said to Hale, "What'll you take for your cattle?" "\$30 a head," replied Hale. "Give you \$28." "No." "Make it \$29." "No; won't take a cent less than \$30." Hale arose to walk to the other side of the caboose. Carroll leaned back on the seat and said: "I'll make it \$29.50 and that's all I will do. If you want to sell I'll give you your cash tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock." Hale figured on the side of the caboose. "Alright," he said, "it's a go." \$50 cash was paid to bind the bargain, the editor agreed to be a witness to the contract to pay next day, handed each gentleman one of his cards, and everybody commenced talking about the weather. The whole transaction occupied not more than five minutes, and \$1591.00 was involved.

In its damage suit against the Omaha Bee the World-Herald received a verdict of \$7,000. Once more the libelous Bee has received a black eye.

WISE HUNTERS



After bargains in Valentine never have much trouble in finding them, because they all know that there is at least one store in town where they can always get what they want at the lowest living prices. Need we mention the name of the store? Just now everybody is hunting Christmas bargains—a present for father, mother, brother, sister, wife, husband, son, daughter, friend or sweetheart—and everyone can find something suitable by visiting the store of

DAVENPORT & THACHER

DIDN'T YOU KNOW

That the best place in town to buy fresh fruits and vegetables is at Pettycrew's?

DIDN'T YOU KNOW

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